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In re the Application of:

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance addresses the subject matter of Claim 8. The subject matter of Claim 9 is, of course, also patentable over the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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